

MRS. AUGUST BELMONT DIES ACROSS THE SEA.



Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont; the latter died yesterday.

The news of Mrs. Belmont's death, which came from Paris, greatly shocked society, in which she was conspicuous. The Belmonts were leaders in the Meadowbrook set, and the picture shows them when out in one of their stylish traps.

The Well-Known Banker Be- reaved as He Was Start- ing for Europe.

NEWS CAME FROM PARIS.

Social Leader Had Gone Abroad
for Her Health, After Suf-
fering from an Operation.

Mrs. August Belmont died yesterday in Paris. Her husband, the banker, was on the eve of a hurried departure for Europe with his children, having received word that his wife had suffered a relapse. It is only a week since he returned from Paris in company with his son, happy in the belief that the invalid's health had improved.

The banking house of August Belmont & Company, No. 23 Nassau street, was closed immediately upon the receipt of the news, and a sign over the door informed the downtown world of the bereavement that had fallen upon the well-known financier. In sporting circles, also, the intelligence had results of importance, for orders were given that Mr. Belmont's horses in training should be shipped at once to the home farm at Babylon, L. I.

A special horse car was awaiting them last night outside the Gravesend race track. None of them will be started again this year, and it is generally believed that the widower will sell all his horses in training and his yearlings. It is considered likely, however, that he will retain his breeding stock.

Mrs. August Belmont was a figure of importance in the "400." She was not in the habit of giving very large entertainments, but when she gave a dinner or a dance it was remarkable for its elegance and the severe distinction of its guests. Her town house was at No. 190 Madison avenue. She and her husband, however, elected to spend much of their time at their Long Island home, where the chateaucaine could gratify her love of riding and driving. She was the recognized ruler of the Hempstead colony.

At Newport also Mrs. Belmont was very prominent. It was her habit at one time to drive about in a large, old-fashioned barouche, with outriders and postillions. Before her marriage in 1881, she was Miss Jessie Hamilton Morgan, daughter of Hamilton Morgan, of the banking firm of Matthew Morgan & Sons.

Mrs. Belmont went abroad two months ago, largely for the sake of Mrs. Belmont's health, which had been very poor ever since an operation to which she submitted a year ago.

**FLOUR MILL TRUST
AGAIN REPORTED.**

Baid to Be Capitalized at About \$60,000,000, to Include Eleven Mills.

There was a revival in Wall Street yesterday of the report that a consolidation of certain large flour mills in Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Duluth, Superior and this city is soon to be consummated.

It was declared that the prime movers of the proposed consolidation are Thomas A. McFarlane, of the brokerage firm of McFarlane & Wardwell, of the city; S. H. Olney, of England, president of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flouring Mills Company; and Secretary Ross, of the Becker-Jones-Jewell Milling Company.

They are said to be now in Minneapolis arranging the deal, which is expected to be completed before the expiration of this year.

The new trust, it is said, will be capitalized at about \$60,000,000. Eleven mills, with a total capacity of 95,000 barrels, are expected to enter the deal.

Baby Strangled by a Piece of Twine.

The five-year-old child of Mrs. U. Jones, of No. 34 Pearl street, Camden, N. J., was strangled to death yesterday morning by a piece of grocery twine, which it had attempted to swallow.

OREGON AND IOWA WILL SAIL TO-DAY.

Peremptory Order from the
President Sends Them
Away.

THEY GO TO MANILA.

Cruiser Buffalo Will Follow
Them Next Week via
the Suez Canal.

Fleet Ordered to Manila.

OREGON, battle ship, Capt. A. S. Barker
IOWA, battle ship, Capt. A. W. Terry
BUFFALO, cruiser.
Comdr. J. N. Hemphill
IRIS, water distilling ship.
Lieut. N. T. Maunson.
CELTIC, refrigerator supply ship.
Lieut. Comdr. N. J. K. Pyle.
ABAREND, collier.
Acting Lieut. Comdr. M. B. Buford.
ALEXANDER, collier.
Comdr. W. T. Barwell.
SCINDIA, collier, Comdr. E. W. Watson.
CASSIUS, collier, Lieut. R. M. Hays.

Fleet Now at Manila.

OLYMPIA, cruiser (flagship).
Comdr. C. P. Lambertson.
CHARLESTON, cruiser, Capt. H. Glass.
BOSTON, cruiser, Capt. F. Wilder.
RALEIGH, cruiser, Capt. T. B. Coghlan.
BALTIMORE, cruiser, Capt. N. M. Dyer.
MONOCACY, cruiser.
Comdr. O. W. Farnsworth.
CONCORD, gunboat, Comdr. A. Walker.
PETREL, gunboat, Comdr. E. P. Wood.
MANILA, gunboat.
Lieut. Comdr. F. Singer.
CALLAO, gunboat, Lieut. B. Tappan.
MONTEREY, monitor, Comdr. Louis.
MONADNOCK, monitor, Capt. Whiting.
MCCULLOCH, revenue cutter.
Capt. C. L. Hooper.
NANSHAN, collier, Lieut. B. W. Hodges.

Direct orders from President McKinley were received at the Brooklyn Navy Yard yesterday commanding the battleships Oregon and Iowa to sail as early as possible to-day for Manila.

Both the big ships were ready, and should have sailed yesterday, but the excuse made in the yard was that they had not been fully prepared for the long journey.

Before the President's peremptory command was received, the departure was postponed until Saturday, but the order to rush the final touches having been given, the men went to work with a will, and by this evening but little ships will be headed for the South.

With the order from the Chief Magistrate came the order from the Navy Department, that both battleships should go by way of the Straits of Magellan, touching at Bahia and at Sandy Point, where they would be further instructed as to the points to be touched in the Pacific ocean. It is thought at the yard that after passing the Straits, Honolulu will be made. It is expected that they will make as good time

as the Oregon did in coming from San Francisco.

The fleet, which is a formidable one, will not assemble until it arrives in Philippine waters, as it will take more than ten days to finish the Buffalo, and the six other vessels which are to accompany or follow it.

On board the Buffalo, which has more allies and has been repaired and altered oftener than any ship in the navy, work is being pushed, and none of the officers seem to think that the order to sail on October 8 will be countermanded. They say that in order to avoid any friction, the Spanish Government was sounded as to the United States sending reinforcements, and that the overtures were met with the response that the Spaniards, pending the final treaty of peace, were anxious that the United States should give adequate protection against the insurgents.

It is now expected that Commander Hemphill will be ordered to take the Buffalo to the Philippines via the Suez Canal instead of the Straits of Magellan. She will carry 350 sailors to take the places of men whose terms of enlistment have expired.

To follow the Buffalo as swiftly as they can be fitted out will be the Iris, formerly the Menestier, the only water condensing ship in the navy, carrying two large tanks with a capacity of half a million gallons; the Celtic, the newest and best refrigerator ship in any navy the collectors Africano, Alexander, Scindia and Cassius, each able to carry more than two thousand tons of coal. As these are all fast boats they will be able to overtake the ten-mile-an-hour battleships and feed them at such points as are ordered.

PAULINE HALL WILL NOT SETTLE THE BILL.

Actress Denies Any Financial Responsibility for Her Company.

Pauline Hall appeared before Justice Scott in the Supreme Court yesterday to be examined as a witness before trial in a suit brought against her and George H. McCallan, by the H. A. Miner Lick Company, for the use of the name of the company in a theatrical production. The examination is at Miss Hall's request.

The company claims that the Pauline Hall Opera Company owes a balance of \$300 for printing. Hall asserted that she was "no way liable for the financial end of the company, and was therefore not liable for the bill for printing claimed by the company. The examination was concluded in time for the actress to catch a train for Chicago, where her company is to open its season.

RAILROAD SUEB BY OCTENAGARIAN

Aged Mrs. Campfield Fall on Platform and Got \$7,000 Damages.

Mrs. Frances A. Campfield, of Branchville, N. J., began an action before Judge Childs in the Circuit Court in Newark yesterday for \$10,000 damages against the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, for injuries sustained. The plaintiff, who is seventy-five years old, visited some friends in Newark, and on her return, when she alighted from a train at Branchville, owing to the station not being properly lighted, she fell from the train. She was badly injured, and the car platform and she was badly injured.

The jury awarded \$7,000 to Mrs. Campfield.

AKHNE'S MOTHER FOUND HIM DEAD.

He Had Turned on the Gas and Killed Himself.

Henry Akhne, twenty-seven years old, the proprietor of a cigar and soda water stand, at No. 160 Nassau street, ended his life by inhaling gas last night, at his home, No. 55 West Eleventh street. He was found by his mother, who lives with him, and his relatives late in the morning. He had been lying on his back, apparently unconscious, and the room filled with gas.

Meeting of Cathedral Trustees.

The trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine met yesterday afternoon at the New House, in Lafayette place, Union street, to consider the progress of the construction of the crypt that is to be under the dome. In this crypt the famous "Gilded glass chapel" is to be placed. There has been progress in cutting the stone at Frontenac, Wis., which is to be used in the interior of the cathedral. A salubrious minute was adopted in memory of the late Stephen J. Nash, who was a member of the board. No one has yet been named as his successor.

THE DOG 'MRS. WILBUR'

State Department Asks
Her Arrest as Mrs.
Nancy Guilford.

To a Journal Reporter She
Denies That That Is
Her Name.

SHE WILL BE EXTRADITED.

States Attorney Fessenden Con-
fident the Woman Has Al-
ready Been Arrested.

SAYS SHE IS FROM LOS ANGELES.

But No One There Knows Her, and the
Bridgeport Authorities Are Sure
She Is the Woman
They Want.

Attorney Fessenden Thanks the
Journal.

There is one circumstance in connection with the arrest that I want to emphasize, and that is the assistance that has been rendered by the press, especially the Journal. The intelligent work done by that paper in tracing Dr. Guilford to Montreal has never been surpassed. State's Attorney Samuel Fessenden, of Bridgeport.

Special Cable to New York Journal.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—A woman, giving her name as Mrs. Catherine Wilbur, arrived in Liverpool this morning on the Dominion Line Vancouver, and was immediately shadowed by Scotland Yard men, who had been instructed to watch this steamer for Dr. Nancy Guilford, of Bridgeport, Conn., suspected of causing the death of Emma Gill, and of mutilating the body and throwing it into the water.

The woman took a train for London, Inspector Lanson following her in the next compartment. A Journal representative boarded the ship, talked with the suspect at length and followed her from Liverpool to London.

She evidenced no surprise when asked for a few minutes' private conversation. "Are you Mrs. Dr. Guilford, of Bridgeport?" asked the Journal correspondent.

"No, I am not," she answered, without betraying any surprise. "Do you know Mrs. Guilford?"

"No, I do not know her." "Then you are Mrs. Wilbur?" "Yes, that is my name. I am Mrs. Wilbur and not Mrs. Guilford." "Have you ever been in Bridgeport?" "No," she answered, and then quickly added, "It is a small town, isn't it?" "May I ask where is your home?" queried the Journal correspondent.

"I live in Los Angeles, California." "But you have been in Quebec long before sailing on this steamer?"

"No, only a few days. I went there direct from Los Angeles." The correspondent gave her a brief history of the Bridgeport mystery and explained that she was suspected of being Mrs. Doctor Guilford, the assassin of Emma Gill, betrayed no surprise, emotion or indignation, answering only:

"I know nothing about that. I am Mrs. Catherine Wilbur, of Los Angeles. I am a widow, and have come to England to visit my daughter."

Had No Visiting Cards. The correspondent then said: "Cannot you show me some little identification—a card, a letter or anything to prove that you are Mrs. Wilbur?"

She opened her reticule and looked over some papers inside, but suddenly closed it and said: "I have nothing. I never took any visiting cards."

"But," added the correspondent, "can you not tell me the name of some person in Los Angeles to whom reference might be made?"

"You can refer to almost anybody there," she replied. "I am well known. I should not be obliged to people by giving a name for such things."

Then for the first time she made a show of indignation, exclaiming: "This whole affair is a nuisance. I am tired of it."

Finally after much questioning, she gave the name of "Mr. Willcutt," of Los Angeles, to whom reference might be made. She opened her reticule and looked over some papers inside, but suddenly closed it and said: "I have nothing. I never took any visiting cards."

Was in New York on Sept. 13. "Mrs. Wilbur" has one medium-sized trunk, not marked with any initials, but on it was a small label of "Dodd's express, New York City," dated 2 p. m., Sept. 13. This label was pasted over another label of "West Side Transfer." Armed with this discovery the correspondent again went to Mrs. Wilbur and asked when she had last been in New York.

Convinced her trip to England Mrs. Wilbur said: "I have come to visit my daughter and shall be here some time. It is my first trip over."

Has Four Friends. Mrs. Wilbur has four friends in New York, who are well known to the police. They are: Mrs. Fessenden, of Bridgeport, Sept. 27.—State's Attorney Fessenden said to-night: "Nancy Guilford was arrested in London today. I am confident, Scotland Yard detectives communicated with me, saying she had three trunks on the steamer. One was marked 'Gifford,' one 'Guilford' and one 'Gill.' I at once communicated with the State Department through Governor Cook and requested that the woman be held on a provisional charge until I could send requisition papers for her. It was done, and she has been here a short time before we have her back here."

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Never Nancy Guilford's crime is an extraordinary one, the law of England requires that a capital case be established, and this the police have claim to have done. They secured affidavits to-day from the two Drayton women and from Harry Miller that Emma Gill had been taken to Dr. Guilford's house. Deputy Sheriff Theodore Miller left this afternoon for Wells, where he is to assist in the trial.

The requisition papers for Nancy Guilford will be forwarded to the State Department to-morrow.

The police today tore up the bathroom and plumbing in the Guilford house, and to-morrow they will have it subjected to microscopical and chemical tests. They also discovered a pair of garter buckles.

Harry Ozley was arraigned in court to-day on the new charge of manslaughter, and his bail was fixed at \$3,000.

GRANT'S WIDOW LAUDS WOMAN'S WORK IN WAR.



General "Joe" Wheeler at Mrs. Grant's Reception.

The old Southern warrior, talking to women who had worked for the soldiers in the field, told them that the strength of American arms in war came solely from the soldiers' memory of the women they had left behind them.

Woman's National War Re- lief Association Gives Her a Reception.

GEN. JOE WHEELER THERE.

Mrs. Walworth Makes Helen
Gould the Object of the
Meeting's Devotion.

momentary pause. "But what would we do without the men?"

Crowd Around Wheeler.

The women crowded about General Wheeler. "Do you remember General Kiefer, of the Ordnance? I'm his daughter?" "Mrs. Daniel Lamont wants to shake hands with a hero."

"We're Bessie Heitz Balz and Robert Alexander Hantz." Bessie and Robert were the only uninvited guests at the reception yesterday. They are respectively aged nine and eleven. "It's the women that stood back of the army," said General Wheeler, "that's the thing that makes the nation what it is."

"That's a whole lot of the nation what it is," Mrs. Sage remarked. "However, in not a soldier's boot at present I'm never against a man with a military career." Mrs. Grant, who heard the remark, said: "I'm always for the soldiers."

COLONEL BRYAN IS NO BETTER.

Still Confined to His Room in Wash-
ington and May Not Be Able to Leave
the Capital for Several Weeks.

Washington, Sept. 27.—Colonel William Jennings Bryan has not improved to any great extent. He is still confined to his bed, and the chances are he may stay there longer than he anticipates. He is being attended by Dr. J. W. Bayne, an assistant surgeon in the army, now at home on leave from Chickamauga. Colonel Bryan is reported to be in a very precarious condition.

It is possible that Colonel Bryan will be forced to remain in the city for several weeks. After he has thrown off his attack of fever his physician says that he must have rest.

Neb. Sept. 27.—Mrs. Bryan received a telegram today calling her to the bedside of her husband, Colonel Bryan, who is sick in Washington. The message received by Mrs. Bryan gave no information as to the seriousness of the Colonel's illness. She departed for Washington this evening.

CHARGED WITH EVADING THE TAX.

Cigarmaker Failed to Use Stamp and Was Arrested.

The revenue authorities became cognizant a few days ago the contraband cigars in large numbers were being sold in Newark. Special Agent Robert G. Smith, of the Newark office, was taken to Newark by a brother of Vice-President Hobart, went to Newark with Deputy Inspector Cavanagh, and learned that a cigar dealer from Newark visited Newark twice a week and disposed of from 1,000 to 2,000 cigars on each visit. They also learned from a reliable source that the dealer was a man named John J. Smith, who lived at No. 127 Barclay street, this city, that he had secured 500 cigars to be delivered yesterday.

The officers covered the Sullivan house yesterday and watched it closely until the man arrived. He had just unpacked the cigars, when they pounced on him and made him a prisoner. He said he was Simon Kuttner, a cigar manufacturer, and had just returned from this city with several pounds of unstamped stuff.

JERSEY GROCERS COMBAT VORHEES.

At the meeting of the Grocers' Association, of Plainfield, N. J., last night a decided stand was taken by the members against the election of Roscoe Vorhees to the Governorship on account of his failure to sign the anti-trading stamp bill that was passed at the last session of the Legislature. The subject was broached by former Congressman Westphal, who is one of the most active of the local Republican organizers.

Westphal said that the Grocers' Association was a member of the anti-trading stamp bill, and that the Republican members of the election board in the Fourth Ward. There is talk of reading him out of the party for treachery in Vorhees.

A Pair for St. Catherine's.

A three credit for the St. Catherine's Hospital, Williamsburgh, where nearly two hundred sick and wounded soldiers are being cared for, was opened last night in Marine Temple, at Grand and Remond streets. The edition of maintaining so many soldiers has been very great, and the fact has become an absolute necessity to raise funds.

During a burst of applause Mrs. Grant's eyes sought the point out of her husband's painting by Miller-Try. Beside her stood Mrs. Sartoris, following her look with pride.

"When our soldiers go forward for action," concluded General Wheeler, "behind them are the hearts of the women to support and encourage them. In all this the great effort of the men is to be worthy of the approval of the women. That is the secret of the power of this great country."

It seems to me that women are very important," said Mrs. Grant, relieving a

WIFE BURIED THE WRONG HUSBAND.

Daniel Hull Returned After
a Year, but Had Noth-
ing to Say.

HAS DISAPPEARED AGAIN.

Body of a Drowned Man Posi-
tively Identified by
Mrs. Hull.

Nothing excites Daniel Hull, his friends say, and this is doubtless the reason Daniel laughed on returning to New Brunswick, N. J., last Saturday night, to learn that he had been dead and buried for one year.

After taking a few drinks and laughing some more, Daniel Hull disappeared without calling on the wife who rescued his remains from Potter's Field, as she thought. Nothing excites Daniel Hull, returned from the dead.

Before dropping out of sight the second time, Hull said he was not dead, nor anywhere near it. He is described as a peculiar man, who likes to live in his own quiet way without interference from relatives. Daniel has a yearning for the sun and steamboats, on which he vaguely hinted he had worked for the past year.

The man Mrs. Hull buried as her husband was drowned last September. She positively identified a body found in South River as that of Daniel Hull, seafaring man. Her family was also convinced that the dead man was Daniel. The body was discovered near the Pardee brick yards, and had been in the water more than a month.

County Physician Long turned the case over to Coroner Moore, who kept the body in his morgue for one day. It was then buried by Grave Digger George Dennis at the Poor Farm. Some weeks later Mrs. Hull learned these facts and as Daniel was missing she hastened to the Coroner. The description of the dead man tallied with that of her husband. She next questioned the grave digger, who knew Hull, and became more convinced than ever.

Mrs. Hull paid Dennis \$5 to exhume the body, which was done on September 25, 1897. The woman and the Coroner were satisfied that a mystery had been cleared up. In speaking of the affair yesterday Mrs. Hull said:

"As soon as the lid was taken off the box I recognized my husband. I knew him by the shape of his chin and a double tooth. His mustache and hair were just the same and I was just as positive that he was Dan Hull as I was of my own name."

Nothing more was heard of Dan until Saturday night, when the grave digger met him.

"I was riding down Burnett street with Mr. Le Grange Digger, the monument builder, said Dennis. "When up came Dan Hull. 'Why, I thought I buried you a year ago,' Dan," said I. Dan laughed. Nothing excited him."

Soon after this Gilbert Parent, a stepson of Hull, was accosted by a strange man on Nelson street, who patted him on the back and asked:

"Don't you know me?" "Yes, I know you," replied Parent slowly. "Don't I thought you were dead this long while?"

Parent took Hull home, where he stayed that night and all of Sunday. He went away without telling where he was going. He has not been seen since.

Hull is about fifty years old, of medium build, has brown hair tinged with gray, and a sandy mustache. He has been married twice.